

REMARKS

Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the present Office Action, the Examiner alleges that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

I. Claims 1-31, drawn to a method, classified in class 438, subclass 14+.

Species Ia, drawn to a method for producing a test device for SOI material of the embodiment of figure 9,

Species Ib, drawn to a method for producing a test device of the embodiment of figure 10,

Species Ic, drawn to a method of fabricating double gate test structures for electrical stress evaluation of a strain Si layer on a SiGe layer on a buried oxide on a Si substrate of the embodiment of figure 11; and

II. Claims 32-35, drawn to a FET, classified in class 257, subclass 133+.

As indicated, and in order to be fully responsive to the species restriction requirement imposed in the present Official Action, applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, to prosecute species Ic, which is directed to a method of fabricating double gate test structures for electrical stress evaluation of a strain Si layer on a SiGe layer on a buried oxide on a Si substrate of the embodiment of figure 11. Applicants submit that Claims 10-19, and Claims 20-27, are readable on species Ic elected herein. Applicants hereby reserve their right to have the other species set forth in Claims 1-9 and 28-31 considered in the present application, upon allowance of the presently elected species.

Applicants further reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to unelected Claims 32-35.

Wherefore, consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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